

Sl.No.	Name of the city	2003	2004(P)	2005(P)
12.	Kolkata	442	420	484
13.	Lucknow	342	383	438
14.	Ludhiana	198	207	259
15.	Madurai	89	105	116
16.	Mumbai	394	534	654
17.	Nagpur	217	227	246
18.	Pune	324	364	344
19.	Surat	152	171	230
20.	Vadodara	136	133	132
21.	Varanasi	153	NA	NA
22.	Visakhapatnam	205	187	205

P-Provisional.

NA-Not available.

#### **Repair of NH-5 between Kolkata and Chennai**

204. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether NH-5 connecting Kolkata and Chennai especially the stretch between Jkarka and Tikar, in Orissa, has become a death trap due to gross negligence of the concerned authorities;

(b) whether a number of persons have been killed and wounded on this stretch of road in the past, as per the statistics maintained by the Regional Transport Office, Chandikole;

(c) whether there have been persistent requests from the public for repairs of this stretch of road to control accidents; and

(d) if so, what is the action plan of Government to address this issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No, Sir. The National Highway 5 forming part of Golden Quadrilateral for the Kolkata- Chennai section, which includes the stretch between Jkarka and Tikar in Orissa is not a death trap and is in traffic worthy condition.

(b) No report on the accidents has been received from Police Authority, who is investigating and maintaining the record of accidents.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. This National Highway is substantially 4-lanned with divided carriageway which prevents accident. The balance length of 4-laning work is in advance stage of construction.

### **National Highway Development Project**

205. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have approved National Highways Development Project which is essentially for the development of National Highways from two lane to four lane;

(b) if so, whether Government have conducted any survey of the National Highways of two lane in various States particularly in Himachal Pradesh to develop them in four lane;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the total length of road proposed for development from two lane to four lane under this project in Himachal Pradesh; and

(e) by when the work of development of National Highways in the State is likely to be taken up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir. , Under National Highway Development Project Phase-I, II and HIA about 18,000 kms of National Highways are to be 4-laned.

(b) and (c) The Detailed Project Report (DPR) work for most of the stretches are completed or initiated/under progress. In case of Himachal Pradesh, the DPR work for Haryana/Himachal Border to Shimla Section